



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Tornier, Alain  
Appl. No. : 10/730,276  
Filed : 12/09/2003  
Title : PROCESS FOR THE STERILE PACKAGING OF A PROSTHETIC  
IMPLANT MADE OF POLYETHYLENE  
Grp./A.U. : 1744  
Examiner : McKane, Elizabeth

Docket No.: 14542

Honorable Commissioner of Patents  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

It is respectfully requested that a one month extension of time, until February 18, 2006, be granted in which to respond to the Non-Final Office Action dated October 18, 2005. The statutory fee of \$60.00 for the one month extension is attached. Any deficiencies in the extension of time fees may be charged to Deposit Account No. 04-1577.

Respectfully submitted,

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